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REPORT

1. Aspern Airfield

TOPIC

2. Aspern and Gross Enzersdorf Military Posts

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EVALUATION

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REMARKS

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1. Between 8 a.m. and noon on 14 November 1953, 33 MiG-15s, 2 biplanes, 1 Yak-11 with two rod antennas, but no Pe-2s were observed at Aspern (P 49/X 49) airfield. No air activity was being conducted. There was a 5/10 overcast at an altitude of about 2,000 meters, no wind, and good visibility to a range of 3 km. Later on, it became hazy. About 100 men lined up on the landing field in front of the flight control station. No other activity was determined. About 30 motor vehicles were parked in the garages and a platoon of about 30 men assembled in front of the garages. No change was observed in the status of the western fuel dump or where any motor vehicles parked there. The PKV-45 DF station was unchanged.
2. At Aspern military post, only a few officers with blue service color were observed entering and leaving building No 7 on Sieges Platz. A sentry wearing black-bordered blue epaulets was posted in front of the house on Gross Enzersdorfer Strasse which served as storage facility for fire wood and coal. The other houses which formerly had been occupied were vacated by the Soviets and unguarded; some of them were being utilized for civilian purposes.
3. At Gross Enzersdorf (P 49/X 59) military post, the Konrad Kaserne was guarded and frequented by soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets. Trucks [] each occupied by about 15 men and driven by soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets, entered the barracks installation, coming from the direction of Aspern airfield. Four trucks [] were parked in the barracks yard. The building No 135 on Kaserne-Franz-Josef Strasse was guarded and frequented by soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets. Three tank trucks and 8 additional trucks [] were parked by the garden of the building. No conclusions could be drawn as to the occupation strength of the installation because only little activity was observed there. Building No 241 on Kasernen Strasse and building No 133 on Schlosshofer Strasse were neither occupied nor guarded. Building No 156 on Kasernen Strasse was guarded by sentries wearing black-bordered blue epaulets; it was apparently unoccupied. The guard personnel

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were furnished by the unit from the Konrad Maserno. No change was observed in the status or location of the radio installation on the southeastern edge of Gross Enzersdorf. Some soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets were observed on the way from Gross Enzersdorf toward the installation. The southern radio installation had been removed.

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[REDACTED] Comment. Aspern airfield is believed to be still occupied by a Soviet fighter division headquarters and a fighter regiment.!!